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Dear Mayor Collins and Town Council,

I would like to express my interest in continuing my positions on both the Board of Adjustments and the Historical Advisory Committee. My background includes a B.S in Accounting from Cedar Crest College in 1983. I worked in the accounting field for 10 years. Since 1993, I have been actively involved in many volunteer organizations always finding myself serving on the respective board in some capacity.

Since 1997, I have served on the Town's Historical Advisory Committee. I started on this committee with the job of searching newspaper clippings and putting together the Town history for its 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. After Ann Townsend resigned from the Committee, I became the chair. As chair, I continued to record the oral history of the Town through interviews. To date the Committee has compiled 44 interviews of Town officials and residents. The Committee was involved in drafting a policy for the recognition of individual, groups or organizations, which was adopted by the Town Council this past fall. The Historical Committee continues to work with Doug Jordan on a proposed voluntary historical property recognition program, which would be a way for Town residents to voluntarily promote their homes as part of the early history of the Town of Paradise Valley. The Committee also hosted the Town's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration at Camelback Inn and is planning to host the Town's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary in the spring of 2021.

I have been on the Board of Adjustments since 2003. During this time, I have always done my best to follow the six code requirements in order to approve a homeowner's request for a variance. While some cases are clear-cut others are not as obvious. In all cases, I try to understand the situation while staying within the guidelines of the variance criteria.

I have always enjoyed my involvement with the Town of Paradise Valley and I hope to continue volunteering on both the Board of Adjustments and the Historical Advisory Committee.

Thank you for your consideration.

Catherine Kauffman